(b) The Planning Committee of NCR Planning Board has cleared the bulk acquisition of land for development of 10 townships in National Capital Region. These proposals which are part of the State sector component of the VIII Plan investment programme for development of NCR will be placed before the NCR Planning Board for formal approval.

(c) There is no suih proposal under consideration of the Government. Moreover, the enlargement of National Capital Territory of Delhi would run counter to the strategies/ objectives of the NCR Planning and is not envisaged in the Regional Plan 2001.

MR. CHARMAN: Quesion Hour is over.

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## WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

*86. [Transferred to 7th May, 1993]

**Drought in Orissa**

*87. SHRI GAYA SINGH:
SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Orissa Government has launched a Rs. 70 crores contingency plan to counter the acute scarcity conditions created by the serious drought sweeping various parts of the State;

(b) if so, what are the details of the plan; and

(c) whether the Central Government have extended any financial help to the State Government during the years 1992 and 1993 so far for any such scheme; if so, the details thereof?

TTE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI BALRAM JAKHAR): (a) to (c) The Orissa Government has prepared an Action Plan for Rs. 70.00 crores to undertake labour intensive works in the drought affected areas. This plan comprises of labour intensive works which include water supply, minor irrigation, life irrigation, rural roads, agricultural activities, water pumps, health services and feeding programmes.

The Central Government have extended the following assistance during the years 1992-93 and 1993-94 to the Government of Orissa:—

(Rs. in crores)

| Programme | 1992-93 | 1993-94 |
|---|---|---|
| Calamity Relief Fund | 29.78* | 14.89 |
| Jawahar Rozgar Yojna | 134.05* | 34.48** |
| Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme | 18.77 | 5.57 |

*including additional release of Rs. 21.90 crores.

**including Rs. 19.86 crores earmarked for Kalahandi, Koraput and Bolangir.